

vision of the superintendent of the streets, and under no circumstances shall any walk or sidewalk on any street be of a width less than four feet; said expense shall be a lien upon said lot, and if not paid within sixty days after completion of such work, such lot may be sold, or enough of the same, to pay such expenses and cost, under the same rules and regulations and restrictions, rights of redemption and savings as are prescribed in the said charter for the sale of unpaid taxes: *Provided, however*, that the owner may, upon giving five days notice to the board of aldermen, do or let the work by contract before his premises, when work is being done on the street upon which said lot abuts and the work will extend to the said lot: *Provided, further*, said work shall not cost the town more than work of its class if done by the town, and the said work must then be done under the strict supervision of the superintendent of the streets.

Expense a lien on lot.
Sale.

Proviso: work let to contract.

Proviso: cost and supervision of work.

SEC. 52. In addition to the above provisions, the board of aldermen may adopt provisions, ordinances and regulations imposing penalties on persons failing or refusing to make the improvements and repairs mentioned in the preceding section after being so directed by the board of aldermen.

Penalties for failure to improve.

SEC. 53. That when any land or right-of-way shall be required for the purpose of opening new streets, or widening or changing those already made or open, or other objects allowed by this charter, and for want of agreement for compensation therefor, and the same cannot be purchased from the owner or owners at what the board considers a reasonable price, the same may be condemned and taken by the board of aldermen at a valuation to be made by three disinterested freeholders of the town, one of whom shall be chosen by the board of aldermen and one by the owner or owners, then the two thus chosen shall choose a third; and in making said valuation said freeholders, after giving the owner or owners or their agent, notice, or after giving ten days notice in a newspaper published in the county, in case such owner or owners or their agents can not be found in the town, and after being duly sworn to act, impartially and fairly, shall take into consideration the loss or damage which may accrue to the owner or owners in consequence of the land or right-of-way being surrendered, also such benefit or advantage the owner or owners may receive from the opening, widening or changing such streets or other improvements, and ascertain the sum, if any, which shall be paid to the owner or owners of said property, and report the same to the board of aldermen, under their hands and seals, which report, on being confirmed by the board of aldermen and spread upon their minutes, shall have the effect of a judgment upon the town of Kernersville, and shall pass the title to the town of Kernersville, of the land so taken, and the land may at once be taken and used by the town for the purpose taken: *Provided*, that if any person whose land is taken under this paragraph, or if

Power to condemn land.

Procedure for condemnation.

Proviso: right of appeal.